

**City of Florence**  
**Environmental Management Advisory Committee**  
**August 20, 2015 ~ Regular Session 2:00 pm**

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*The proceedings of the City of Florence Environmental Management Advisory Committee were recorded on tape and on file at Florence City Hall.*

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**Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda**

Chairperson Bonnie MacDuffee called the meeting of the Environmental Management Advisory Committee (EMAC) to order at 2:00 pm. Others present included: Vice Chairperson (VC) Sharon McLeod, Sandra Davidson, Larry Barney, David Twombly, Wendy FarleyCampbell, Dan Webb, Josh Haring and David Lloyd. Erika Bessey and Joan Delano were absent.

Chairperson MacDuffee asked the committee if they proposed any changes to the agenda, and there were none proposed. No vote was taken.

Chairperson MacDuffee asked the committee if there were any changes to the minutes of July 16, 2015. Davidson said there should be a change on page number one regarding who made a motion to nominate. CP MacDuffee noted the change. VC McLeod motioned to approve the minutes with the noted change. Davidson seconded. By voice, all ayes, the motion passed.

**Public Comments**

There were no members of the public present.

**New Business**

**2015 Goals – Objectives and Anticipated Expenditures:**

FarleyCampbell reported the update on 2015 Goals, Objectives and Anticipated Expenditures by delivering a draft of past spending and a preliminary proposal then pointed out the two added items regarding public surveys on the foam and plastic bag containment and the cleanliness of the City. She continued and explained that EMAC set their goals typically on events and related that EMAC Committee could review and make a decision to move funds around. Davidson commented on the idea of providing re-usable bags and FarleyCampbell added that Seattle and Portland had both distributed bags during their transition. There was Committee discussion regarding the potential cost and distribution outlets of re-usable bags and FarleyCampbell recommended that it could be an opportunity to create a community wide event that local vendors could buy into and be able to put their logo on the back of the bag. CP MacDuffie and VC McLeod concluded that it could be added to the Greener Florence event and it was agreed that it was a good idea to add re-usable bags as a Sponsorship to Objective 6.

CP MacDuffee made a motion to add re-usable bags as a Sponsorship to Objective 6. Davidson seconded. By voice, all ayes, the motion passed.

**Goal 2, Objective 7 – Solid Waste Rate Study – Next Steps:**

FarleyCampbell reported that the City Code says the proposed rate needs to go before the public for review no later than March first and that the body will have a hearing on the rates in a February meeting where the haulers will make a recommendation and forward it to Council for consideration probably in March. She stated that the haulers financials were due no later than

November 1st, added that Chris should be under contract by November 1st and said Andy Parks, City's Finance Director would be working with him. There was Committee discussion regarding the roles and the possible impact and importance their contribution would make.

**Goal 3, Objective 3 – Review & Discuss Polystyrene Foam Survey, Plastic Bag Policies:**  
FarleyCampbell distributed a hand out with potential survey questions for businesses and a list of different types of containers that may currently be used. VC McLeod pointed out that plastic and paper bags should be added to the list and asked specifically what the survey would be looking for. There was Committee discussion regarding survey details and verbiage. The Committee agreed that October would be a good time to send out the survey and it should be finalized and ready by September and that it would be directed and mailed to businesses within the City limits. FarleyCampbell also distributed printed information from different Cities that had implemented the change and said it would be discussion for next meeting.

**Black & White - Debrief**

FarleyCampbell reported that there were 47 participants in the event. There were 153 tires delivered with 86 including the rim and 67 without the rim, 21 propane tanks, 7 Freon devices, 17 other types of appliances and the disposal minimum came to \$744.50. Barney mentioned that he felt the event should be held more than once a year and FarleyCampbell stated that the County only gave the \$1,500.00 rebate once a year so it can only be used once a year however, if one of the local businesses wanted to take it over, then additional dates could be an option. There was Committee discussion regarding possible changes, improvements, scheduling and media for next year.

**Old Business**

**Committee Discussion / Report Items – City Hall Kiosk, Flo-Grow, Other**  
There was no new business and nothing to report.

***Next Meeting: Thursday, September 17, 2015 2:00PM***

**Upcoming Events:**           **Yard Debris – September 19, 2015**  
  **Hazardous Waste – October**

**Adjourn**

McLeod motioned to adjourn. Davidson seconded the motion. CP MacDuffee adjourned the meeting at 2:55.

**APPROVED BY THE EMAC ON THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.**

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Chairperson, Bonnie MacDuffee

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Date